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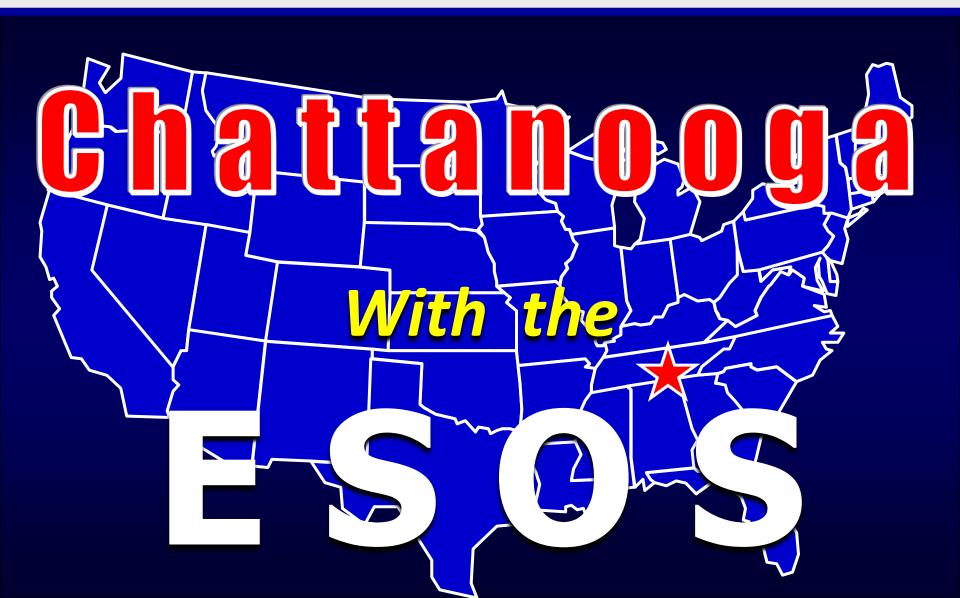


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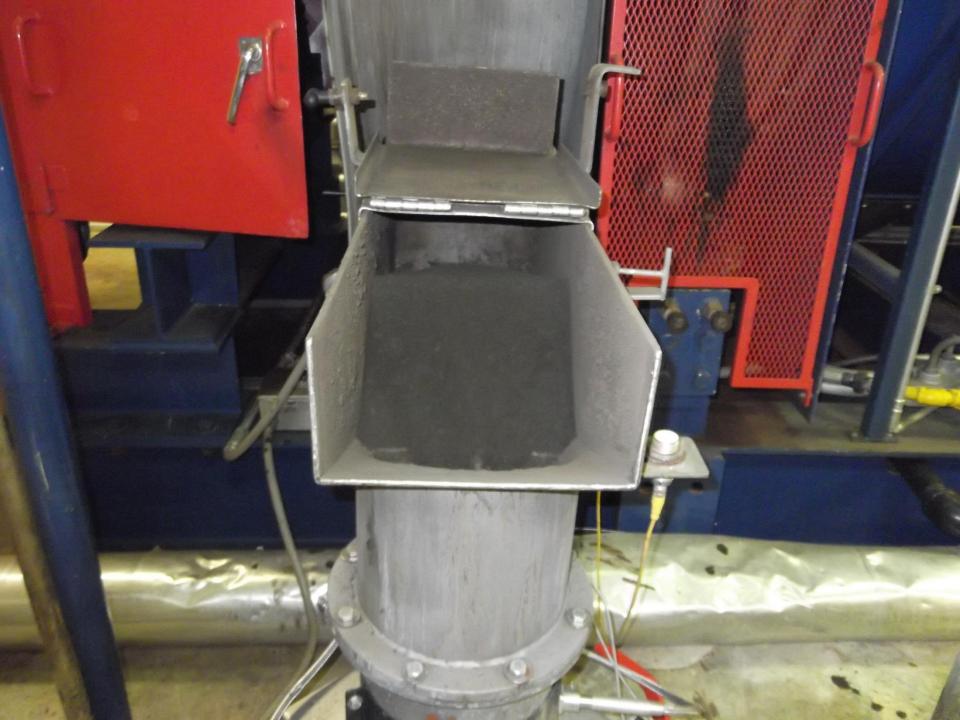




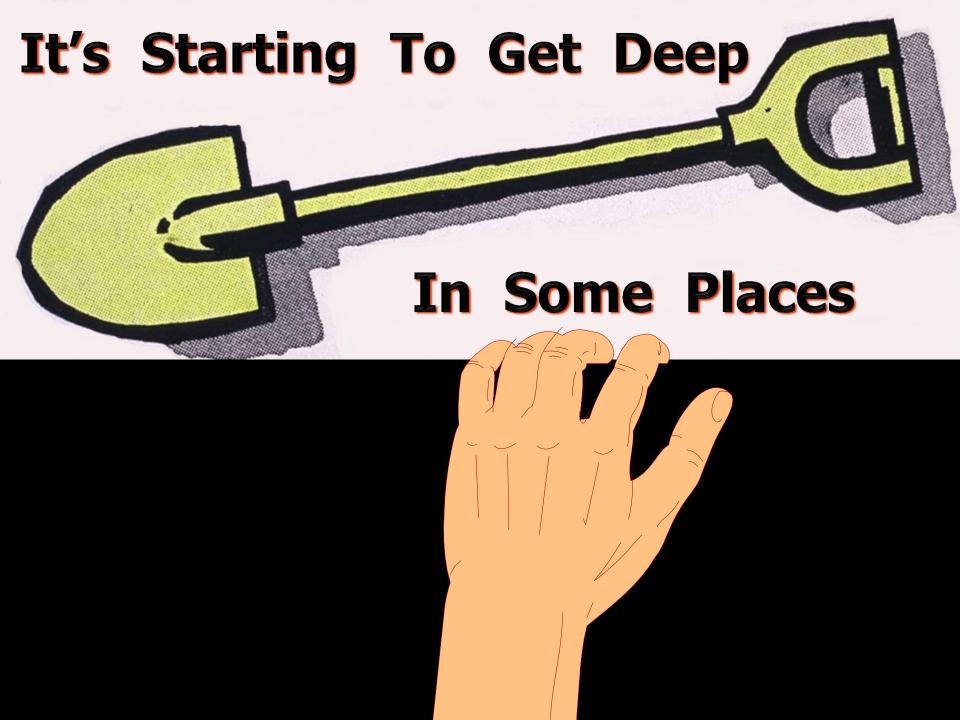














RESIDUALS

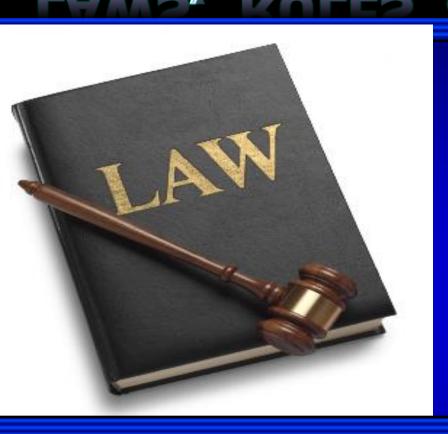
By-products of wastewater treatment during the solids-liquid separation process, aka "wastewater solids" or "sludge".

Typical Wastewater Treatment Plant



NPDES

LAWS, RULES & REGULATIONS



RCRA CWA



40 CFR Part 257
40 CFR Part 503

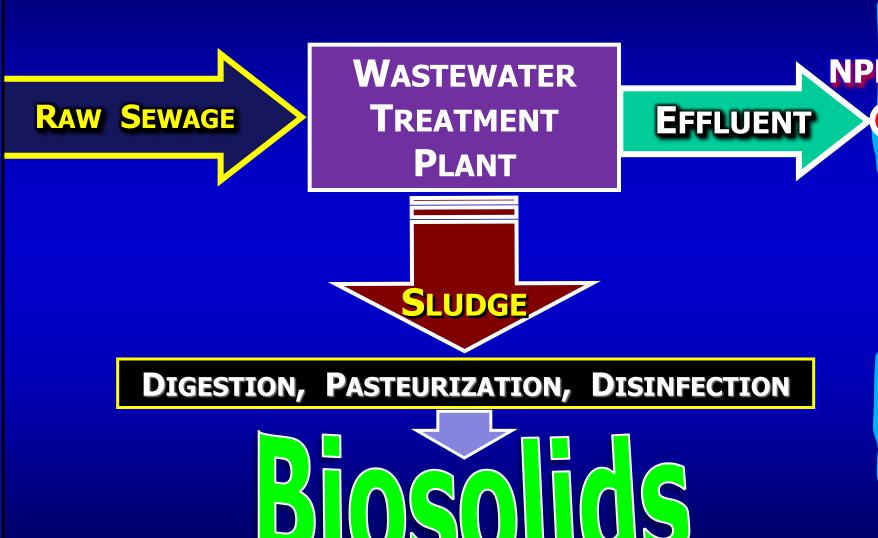


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Criteria for Classification of Solid Waste Disposal Facilities and Practices; Final, Interim Final, and Proposed Regulations (as corrected in the Federal Register of September 21, 1979)



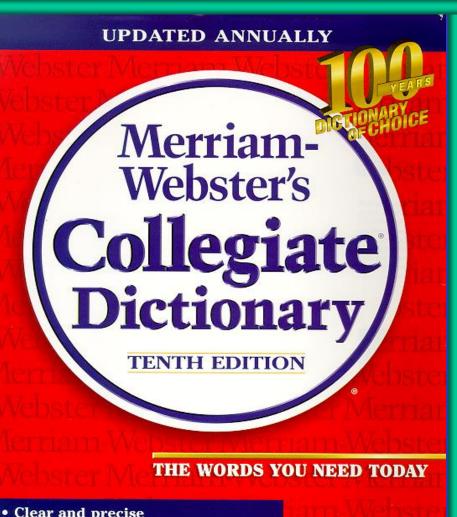
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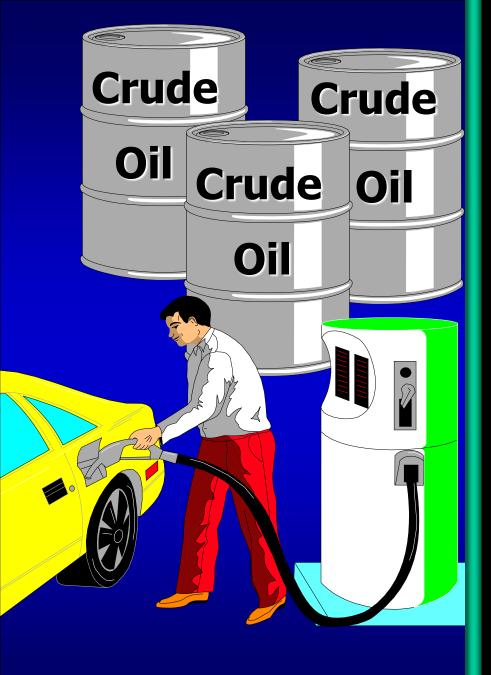
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DEFINITION



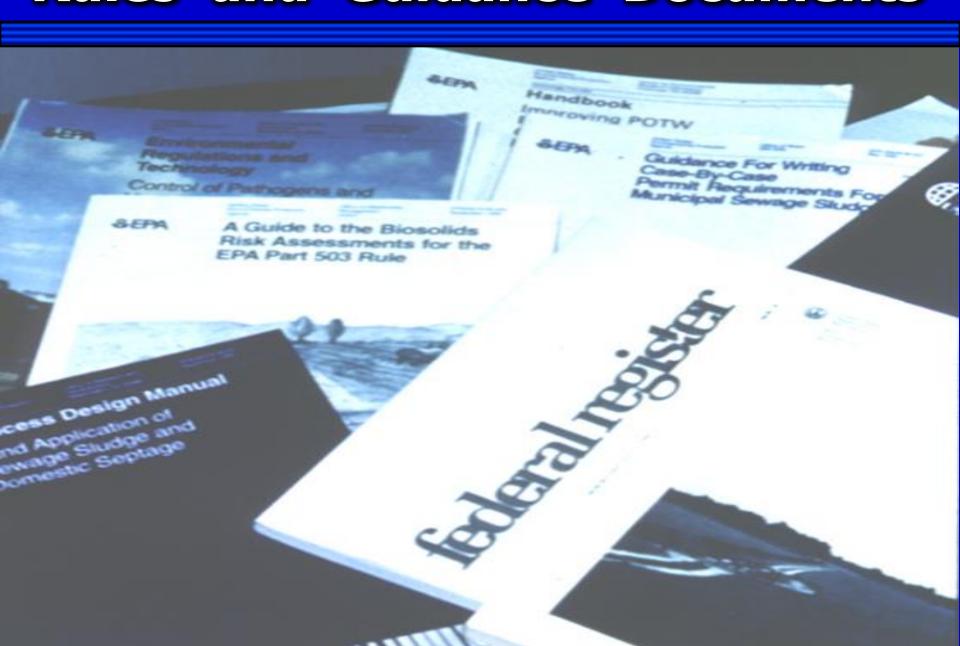
solid organic matter recovered from a sewage treatment process and used esp. as fertilizer.

- Clear and precise
- · Best guidance on word choice
- Most definitions—over 215,000

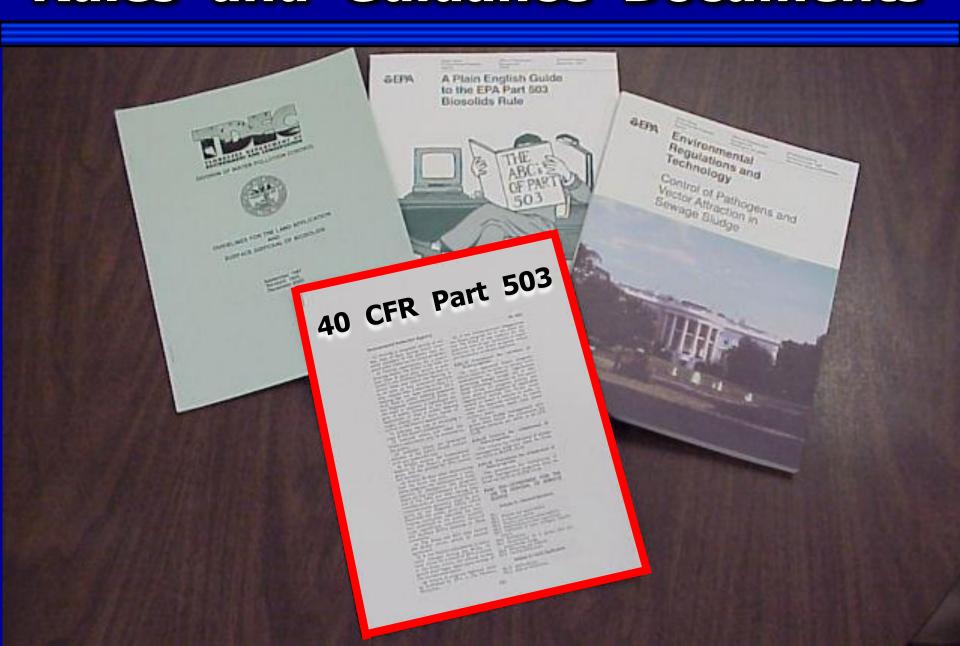


are no more Sludge than Gasoline Crude Oil

Rules and Guidance Documents



Rules and Guidance Documents





Friday February 19, 1993

Part II

Environmental Protection Agency

40 CFR Part 257 et al. Standards for the Use or Disposal of Sewage Sludge; Final Rules

40 CFR Part 503 ⇒ Self-implementing



Clean Water Act

Section 405

- (f) Implementation of Regulations. -
- (1) Through Section 402 Permits. Any permit issued under section 402 of this Act to a publicly owned treatment works or any other treatment works treating domestic sewage shall include requirements for the use and disposal of sludge that implement the regulations established pursuant to subsection (d) of this section.

C. SLUDGE MANAGEMENT PRACTICES

1. The permittee must comply with 40 CFR 503 et seq. Sludge shall be sampled and analyzed at a frequency dependant both on the amount of sludge generated annually and on the disposal practice utilized. Whenever sampling and analysis are required by 40 CFR 503, the permittee shall report to the division the quantitative data for the following parameters:

1)	Arsenic	7)	Nickel
2)	Cadmium	8)	Selenium
3)	Copper	9)	Zinc
4)	Lead	10)	Nitrite plus Nitrate, NO ₂ , + NO ₃ as N
5)	Mercury		Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen, as N
6)	Molybdenum		Ammonia, NH ₃ , as N

This sludge analysis must be submitted by February 19th of each calendar year. This information shall be submitted to the Division of Water Pollution Control, Central Office, 401 Church Street, 6th Floor Annex, Nashville TN 37243-1534, Attention: Sludge Coordinator, Municipal Facilities Section.

Land application of sludge shall halt immediately if any of the following concentrations are exceeded:

POLLUTANT	CONCENTRATION (mg/kg ¹)
Arsenic	75
Cadmium	85
Zinc	7500
Copper	4300
Lead	840

CONCENTRATION (mg/kg ¹)
57
75
420
100

1 Dry Weight Basis

- a) Monthly average pollutant concentrations shall not exceed Table 3 of 40 CFR §503.13. If they are exceeded cumulative pollutant loading rates are to be calculated and recorded and shall not exceed Table 2 of 40 CFR §503.13 for the life of the land application site.
- 3. If land application is the final disposition of the wasted sludge, the permittee shall provide pathogen reduction, sludge stabilization and comply with land and crop usage controls as listed in 40 CFR Part 503, as authorized by the Clean Water Act. Records must be maintained by the permittee that indicate compliance or non-compliance with this rule. If the permittee is required to report to EPA, copies of all reports should be sent to the division, at the address listed in paragraph 1 of this section.

NPDES Permits In Tennessee

3.3. BIOSOLIDS MANAGEMENT PRACTICES NPDES Permits

All sludge and/or biosolids use or disposal must comply with 40 CFR 503 et seq. Biosolids shall be sampled and analyzed at a frequency dependent on the amount used annually.

Any facility that land applies non-exceptional quality biosolids must obtain an appropriate permit from the division in accordance with Chapter 0400-40-15.

- a. Reopener: If an applicable "acceptable management practice" or numerical limitation for pollutants in sewage sludge promulgated under Section 405(d)(2) of the Clean Water Act, as amended by the Water Quality Act of 1987, is more stringent than the sludge pollutant limit or acceptable management practice in this permit, or controls a pollutant not limited in this permit, this permit shall be promptly modified or revoked and reissued to conform to the requirements promulgated under Section 405(d)(2). The permittee shall comply with the limitations by no later than the compliance deadline specified in the applicable regulations as required by Section 405(d)(2) of the Clean Water Act.
- b. Notice of change in sludge disposal practice: The permittee shall give prior notice to the director of any change planned in the permittee's sludge disposal practice.

503 Subparts

General Provisions Land Application Surface Disposal C Pathogens and Vectors Incineration

Relationship to other Regulations 503.4

Disposal in a solid waste landfill that complies with 40 CFR Part 258 constitutes compliance with Section 405(d) of the CWA.

40 CFR Part ... Environmental Regulations

122-124 NPDES

257 Solid Waste

258 Municipal Solid Waste

403 Pretreatment

501 Biosolids Management

503 Biosolids



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Environmental Protection Agency

40 CFR Part 257 et al.

Standards for the Use or Disposal of Sewage Sludge; Final Rules





ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Parts 257, 403 and 503

[FRL-4203-3]

Standards for the Use or Disposal of Sewage Sludge

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency.

ACTION: Final rule.

40 CFR Part 503

(w) Sewage sludge is solid, semi-solid, or liquid residue generated during the treatment of domestic sewage in a treatment works. Sewage sludge includes, but is not limited to, domestic septage; scum or solids removed in primary, secondary, or advanced wastewater treatment processes; and a material derived from sewage sludge. Sewage sludge does not include ash generated during the firing of sewage sludge in a sewage sludge incinerator or grit and screenings generated during preliminary treatment of domestic sewage in a treatment works.

40 CFR Part 257

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Tennessee Biosolids Rules Chapter 0400-40-15

New Rules

Chapter 0400-40-15 Biosolids Management

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0400-40-15-.01 General Provisions [40 CFR 503 Subpart A]

- (1) Purpose and Applicability [40 CFR 503.1]
 - (a) Purpose
 - These Rules establish standards, which consist of general requirements, contaminant limits, management practices, and operational standards, for the final application or disposal of biosolids and sewage sludge generated during the treatment of domestic sewage in a wastewater treatment works. Standards are included in these Rules for biosolids and sewage sludge applied to the land or placed on a surface disposal site. Also included in these Rules are pathogen and alternative vector attraction reduction requirements for biosolids and sewage sludge applied to the land or placed on a surface disposal site.

Chapter 0400-45

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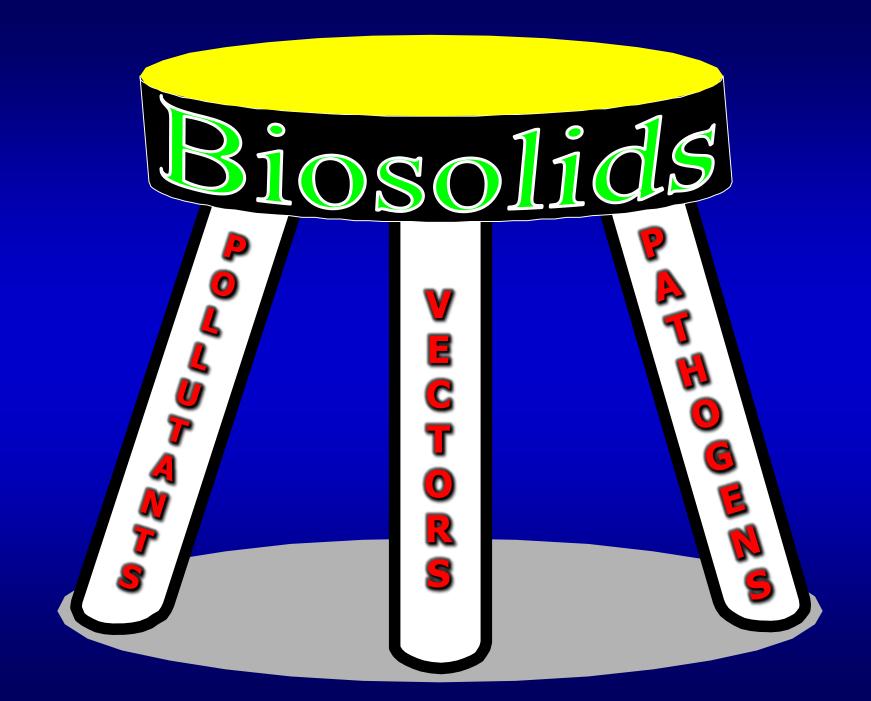


State Rules (0400-40-15)

are a mirror image of

Federal
Regulations
(40 CFR Part 503)

STANDARDS Pollutants Pathogens Vector Attraction



Vector 503 Attraction Reduction

Vector Attraction Reduction VAR





Vectors

Birds, Rodents, Insects – may pick up the biosolids particles and move them to a different location.

Vectors are not attracted to biosolids that are stable (highly digested), high in pH, extremely dry, injected or incorporated.

Summary of Options for Vector Attraction Reduction

- 1. 38% volatile solids reduction.
- 2. Bench test for Anaerobic digestion
- 3. Bench test for Aerobic digestion
- 4. Specific Oxygen Uptake Rate (SOUR)
- 5. Aerobic processes at greater than 40°C for 14 days or longer (Composting).
- 6. Alkali (Alkaline) additions under specified conditions.

Summary of Options for Vector Attraction Reduction

- 7. Dry biosolids with no unstabilized solids to at least 75% soilds.
- 8. Dry biosolids with unstablized solids to at least 90% solids.
- 9. Inject biosolids beneath the soil surface.
- 10. Incorporate biosolids into the soil within 6 hours of application.
- 11. Cover biosolids placed on a surface disposal site with soil or other material at the end of each operating day (Surface Disposal only).
- 12. Alkaline treatment of domestic septage to pH 12 or above for 30 minutes without adding more alkaline material.

503

Pathogen Reduction

Pathogen Reduction 503.32

Class A Biosolids

- Pathogens of Concern are Below Detection
- No Site Restrictions

Class Biosolids

- At least 2-log reduction of Fecal Coliform
- Class B + Site Restrictions =
 Class A level of protection

Class A Pathogen Reduction Alternatives

- 1. Thermal Treatment
- 2. High pH High Temperature
- 3. Testing before and after process
- 4. Testing Final Biosolids Product
- 5. PFRP processes
- 6. Processes Equivalent to PFRP

Processes to Further Reduce Pathogens (PFRP)

Listed in Appendix B of 40 CFR Part 503

- 1. Composting
- 2. Heat Drying
- 3. Heat Treatment
- 4. Thermophilic Aerobic Digestion
- 5. Beta Ray Irradiation
- 6. Gamma Ray Irradiation
- 7. Pasteurization

PFRP's
Originated with
40 CFR Part 257.

PROCESSES TO FURTHER REDUCE PATHOGENS (PFRP)

Composting: Using the within-vessel composting method, the solid waste is maintained at operating conditions of 55 °C or greater for three days. Using the static aerated pile composting method, the solid waste is maintained at operating conditions of 55 °C or greater for three days. Using the windrow composting method, the solid waste attains a temperature of 55 °C or greater for at least 15 days during the composting period. Also, during the high temperature period, there will be a minimum of five turnings of the windrow.

Heat drying: Dewatered sludge cake is dried by direct or indirect contact with hot gases, and moisture content is reduced to 10 percent or lower. Sludge particles reach temperatures well in excess of 80 °C, or the wet bulb temperature of the gas stream in contact with the sludge at the point where it leaves the dryer is in excess of 80 °C.

Heat treatment: Liquid sludge is heated to temperatures of 180 °C for 30 minutes.

Thermophilic Aerobic Digestion: Liquid sludge is agitated with air or oxygen to maintain aerobic conditions at residence times of 10 days at 55-60 °C, with a volatile solids reduction of at least 38 percent.

Other methods: Other methods or operating conditions may be acceptable if pathogens and vector attraction of the waste (volatile solids) are reduced to an extent equivalent to the reduction achieved by any of the above methods.

Any of the processes listed below, if added to the processes described in Section A above, further reduce pathogens. Because the processes listed below, on their own, do not reduce the attraction of disease vectors, they are only add-on in nature.

Beta ray irradiation: Sludge is irradiated with beta rays from an accelerator at dosages of at least 1.0 megarad at room temperature (ca. 20 °C).

Gamma ray irradiation: Sludge is irradiated with gamma rays from certain isotopes, such as ⁶⁰Cobalt and ¹³⁷Cesium, at dosages of at least 1.0 megarad at room temperature (ca. 20 °C).

Pasteurization: Sludge is maintained for at least 30 minutes at a minimum temperature of 70 °C.

Other methods: Other methods or operating conditions may be acceptable if pathogens are reduced to an extent equivalent to the reduction achieved by any of the above add-on methods.

Class B Pathogen Reduction Alternatives

- 1. Monitoring of Indicator Organisms
 - Test for fecal coliform density the geometric mean of seven samples shall be less than 2 million MPNs per gram per total solids or less than 2 million CFUs per gram of total solids.
 - 2. PSRP processes
 - 3. Processes Equivalent to PSRP

Processes to Significantly Reduce Pathogens (PSRP)

Listed in Appendix B of 40 CFR Part 503

- 1. Aerobic Digestion
- 2. Air Drying
- 3. Anaerobic Digestion
- 4. Composting
- 5. Lime Stabilization

PSRP's

Originated with 40 CFR Part 257.

Pathogen Density Testing is not required.

Site Restrictions

PROCESSES TO SIGNIFICANTLY REDUCE PATHOGENS (PSRP)

Aerobic digestion: The process is conducted by agitating sludge with air or oxygen to maintain aerobic conditions at residence times ranging from 60 days at 15 °C to 40 days at 20 °C, with a volatile solids reduction of at least 38 percent.

Air Drying: Liquid sludge is allowed to drain and/or dry on under-drained sand beds, or paved or unpaved basins in which the sludge is at a depth of nine inches. A minimum of three months is needed, two months of which temperatures average on a daily basis above 0 °C.

Anaerobic digestion: The process is conducted in the absence of air at residence times ranging from 60 days at 20 °C to 15 days at 35 to 55 °C, with a volatile solids reduction of at least 38 percent.

Composting: Using the within-vessel, static aerated pile or windrow composting methods, the solid waste is maintained at minimum operating conditions of 40 °C for 5 days. For four hours during this period the temperature exceeds 55 °C.

Lime Stabilization: Sufficient lime is added to produce a pH of 12 after 2 hours of contact.

Other methods: Other methods or operating conditions may be acceptable if pathogens and vector attraction of the waste (volatile solids) are reduced to an extent equivalent to the reduction achieved by any of the above methods.

APPENDIX II TO PART 257

A. Processes To Significantly Reduce Pathogens

Aerobic digestion: The process is conducted by agitating sludge with air or oxygen to maintain aerobic conditions at residence times ranging from 60 days at 15 °C to 40 days at 20 °C, with a volatile solids reduction of at lease 38 percent.

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Anaerobic digestion: The process is conducted in the absence of air at residence times ranging from 60 days at 20 °C to 15 days at 35 to 55 °C, with a volatile solids reduction of at least 38 percent.

APPENDIX B TO PART 503—PATHOGEN TREATMENT PROCESSES

A. Processes To Significantly Reduce Pathogens (PSRP)

- Aerobic digestion—Sewage sludge is agitated with air or oxygen to maintain aerobic conditions for a specific mean cell residence time at a specific temperature. Values for the mean cell residence time and temperature shall be between 40 days at 20 degrees Celsius and 60 days at 15 degrees Celsius.
- Air drying—Sewage sludge is dried on sand beds or on paved or unpaved basins. The sewage sludge dries for a minimum of three months. During two of the three months, the ambient average daily temperature is above zero degrees Celsius.
- Anaerobic digestion—Sewage sludge is treated in the absence of air for a specific mean cell residence time at a specific temperature. Values for the mean cell residence time and temperature shall be between 15 days at 35 to 55 degrees Celsius and 60 days at 20 degrees Celsius.

Class B Site Restrictions for harvesting of crops and turf

- 1. Food crops, feed crops and fiber crops, whose edible parts do not touch the surface of the soil, shall not be harvested until 30 days after biosolids application.
- 2. Food crops with harvested parts that touch the biosolids/soil mixture and are totally above ground shall not be harvested until 14 months after application of biosolids.

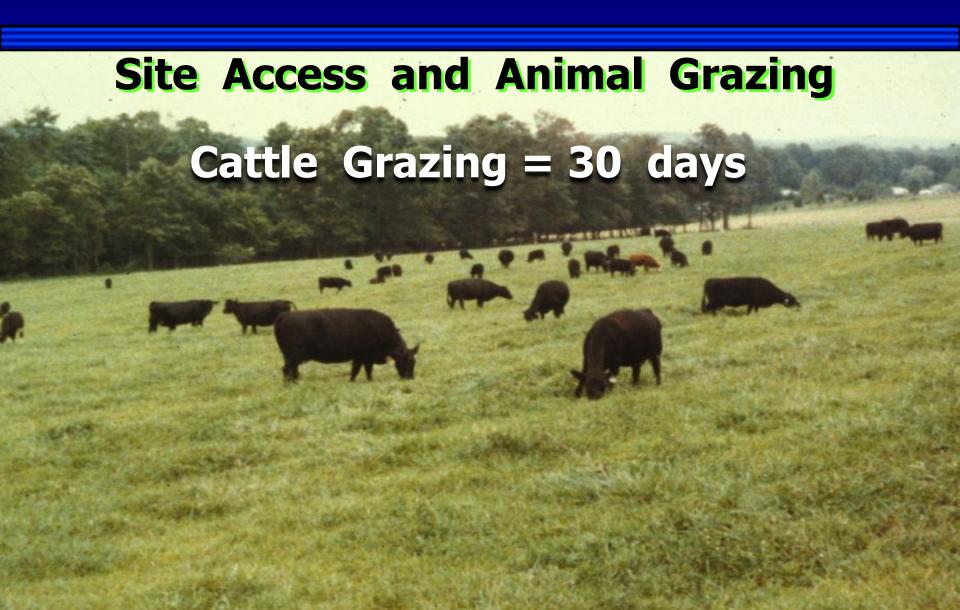
Class B Site Restrictions for harvesting of crops and turf

- 3. Food crops with harvested parts below the land surface where biosolids remain on the land surface for 4 months or longer prior to incorporation shall not be harvested until 20 months after biosolids application.
 - 4. Food crops with harvested parts below the land surface where biosolids remain on the land surface for less than 4 months prior to incorporation shall not be harvested until 38 months after biosolids application.

Class B Site Restrictions for harvesting of crops and turf

5. Turf grown on land where biosolids are applied shall not be harvested until 1 year after application of the biosolids when the harvested turf is placed on either land with a high potential for public exposure or a lawn, unless other specified by the permitting authority.

Class B - Site Restrictions



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Exceptional Quality (EQ) Biosolids

MEETS ALL OF THE HIGHEST QUALITY CHAPTER 0400-40-15
STANDARDS

EQ Biosolids equals







under Tennessee

Biosolids Rules

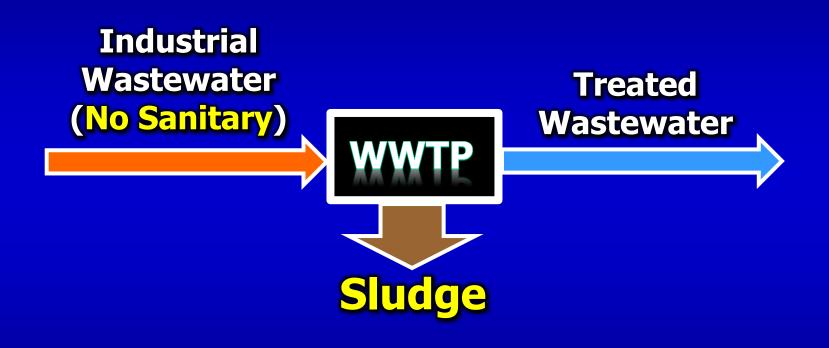
Chapter **0400-40-15**

Exclusion in Part 503.6(d) Relative to Industry

Sludge generated at an industrial facility.

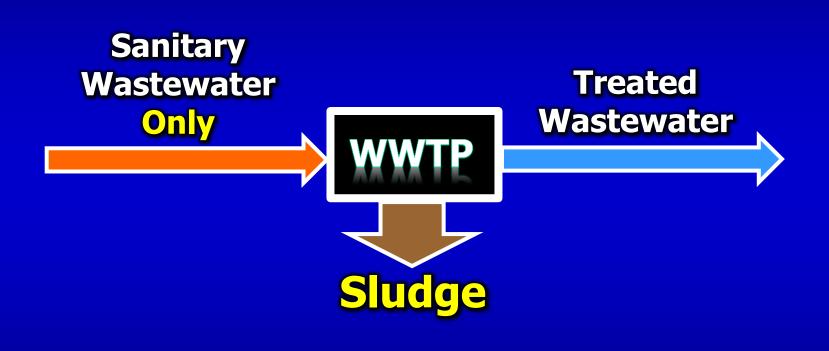
Part 503 does not establish requirements for the use or disposal of sludge generated at an industrial facility during the treatment of industrial wastewater, including sewage sludge generated during the treatment of industrial wastewater combined with domestic sewage.

AT AN INDUSTRIAL FACILITY SCENARIO 1



Sludge is not sewage sludge and is regulated under Part 257.

AT AN INDUSTRIAL FACILITY SCENARIO 2



Sludge is sewage sludge, and is regulated under Part 503.

AT AN INDUSTRIAL FACILITY SCENARIO 3



Sludge is sewage sludge, but excluded from Part 503, and is regulated under Part 257.

STATES DECIDE AUTHORITY

DWR Biosolids Management Rule –
 Adopted 503 and Exclusion for industrial sludge, commercial septage, grit and screenings, etc.

WHAT'S THE PROBLEM?

INDUSTRIAL SLUDGE = BIOSOLIDS

- ash products of combustion
- pulp and paper residuals product of paper manufacture
- water treatment residuals product of municipal or industrial water treatment

SLUDGE HAS VALUE!!

INDUSTRIAL SLUDGE = BIOSOLIDS

- landfill leachate a product of landfill operations
- waste lime or lime mud product of pulp and paper processing, cement manufacture, and mining
- wood waste products of forestry operations and wood processing

SLUDGE HAS VALUE!!

INDUSTRIAL SLUDGE = BIOSOLIDS

"Unique" residuals - those that require special consideration or vary significantly between generators.

- food production residuals (e.g. abattoir waste, mushroom compost, whey);
- aged wood waste
- dredge materials
- lime-based residuals

SLUDGE HAS VALUE!!

STATE DECIDE AUTHORITY

- Service needed for industrial generators.
- DWR Rule Changes to INCLUDE industrial sludge?

DWR — NO PROBLEM!!

DWR SAYS NO!!



DSWM BENEFICIAL USE

RULE 0400-11-01-.02(1)(b)(3)(xxii) The beneficial use of waste, which does not constitute disposal, provided that upon request of the Commissioner, the generator demonstrates to the satisfaction of the Commissioner that such use is not detrimental to public health, safety, or the environment.

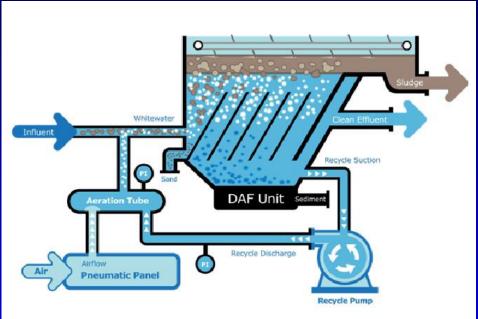
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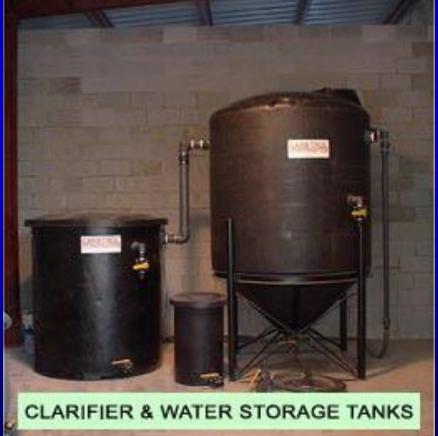
Industrial food processing generators with some commercial mixes

- Meat rendering (beef, pork & poultry)
- Yogurt/Dairy processing
- DAF skimmings, grease-traps, pond clean-outs, holding tank clean-outs, etc.



By Justin Elliott on May 22, 2013









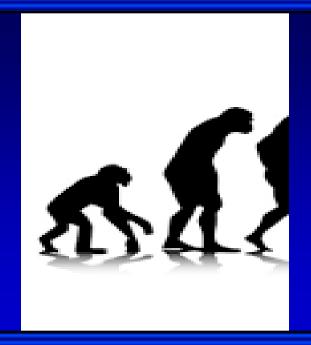
WHAT'S IN INDUSTRIAL SLUDGE ???



- Sanitary component?
- Process waters?
- Municipal component?
- Stormwater
- All of the above?

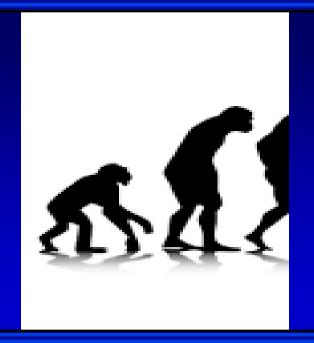
INDUSTRIAL SLUDGE 差 BIOSOLIDS

<u>Tennessee</u>	<u>Biosolids</u>	<u>Industrial Sludge</u>
<u>Generator</u>	Municipal/Domestic	Industrial/Commercial
Regulatory Authority	DWR	DSWM
<u>Basis for</u> <u>Performance</u> <u>Standards</u>	40 CFR 503	40 CFR 257
<u>Quality</u>	Pre-Treatment	Demonstrate
<u>Pathogen/Vectors</u>	Pre-Treatment	Demonstrate
<u>Typical "as-applied"</u> <u>Physical State</u>	sludge – dry cake	liquid – sludge

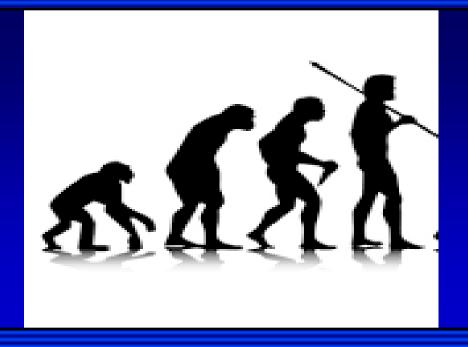


2005 - TN Rules - 0400-11-01-.13 Requirements for Land Application Facilities

- Solid wastes from food processing facilities = PBR
- All other = BUD

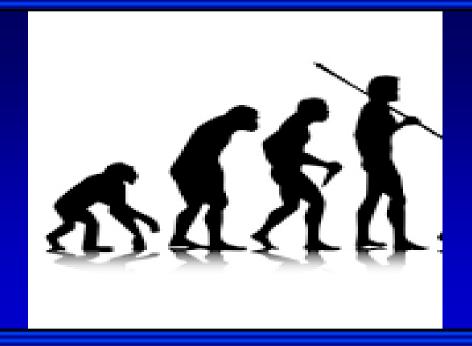


The facility must be...operated, ...maintained, ...to minimize the propagation, harborage...of...other disease vectors.



2005 DSWM Guidance

Land Application of Solid Wastes from Food Processing Facilities



PBR performance standards for land application developed MOSTLY with 40 CFR 257 requirements and NOT 40 CFR 503.

DSWM GUIDANCE 2005-2018

• 3e. → Disease Vectors and Pathogens¶

There are potential sources of industrial processing sludge (such as animal and dairy processing plants), which may contain bacteria, protozoa, larva, eggs from parasitic organisms, and/or viruses. These pathogens represent a public health risk if there is a transfer into food or animal feed crops, or if these materials are transferred offsite by vectors or run-off. Pathogenic waste should be stabilized and/or disinfected prior to land application, and the effectiveness of the stabilization/disinfection process should be verified periodically through testing. Common techniques for stabilization of waste prior to land application include:

1)→Composting, and¶

2)-Lime-Stabilization¶

PSRP FROM 40 CFR 257

WHAT'S THE PROBLEM?



Composting and lime stabilization are costly and diminish the nutrient value.

WHAT ABOUT THE PATHOGENS ??

PATHOGENS

Most of the pathogenic bacteria, viruses, and parasites in are enteric, which means they are present in the intestinal tracts of humans AND animals.

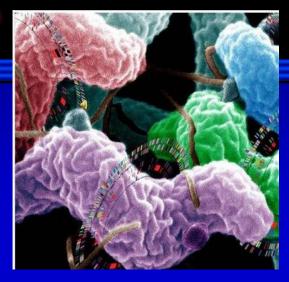
ARE IN FOOD PROCESSING SLUDGE!!!

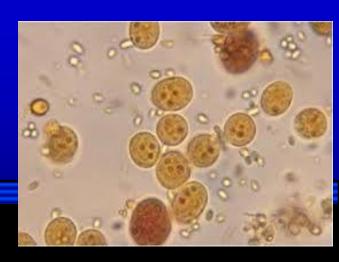
PATHOGENS



Meat Rendering

E. Coli
Salmonella
Campylobacter
Parasite eggs
Amoebic cysts





ARE IN

FOOD PROCESSING SLUDGE!!!

SITE RESTRICTIONS ?

- Caution 40 CFR 257 provides exclusion for [industrial] sewage disposed of by trenching or burial operation. Injection or incorporation is NOT equivalent to trenching or burial.
- Caution injection or incorporation and site restrictions do NOT satisfy Pathogen Reduction.

INJECTION? INCORPORATION?

APPLICABLE EPA GUIDANCE

<u> 1993 – 1996 NRC Review</u>

- EPA was just finalizing the Part 503 Rule,
 Standards for the Use or Disposal of Sewage
 Sludge
- A major implementation concern was with the food processing industry's reluctance to accept the practice

APPLICABLE EPA GUIDANCE

1993 NRC WSTB Committee

- Independent study on safety and use of [sewage] sludge for crop production.
- Use of Reclaimed Water and Sludge in Food Crop Production (1996)
- Deemed useful for FOOD PROCESSORS......

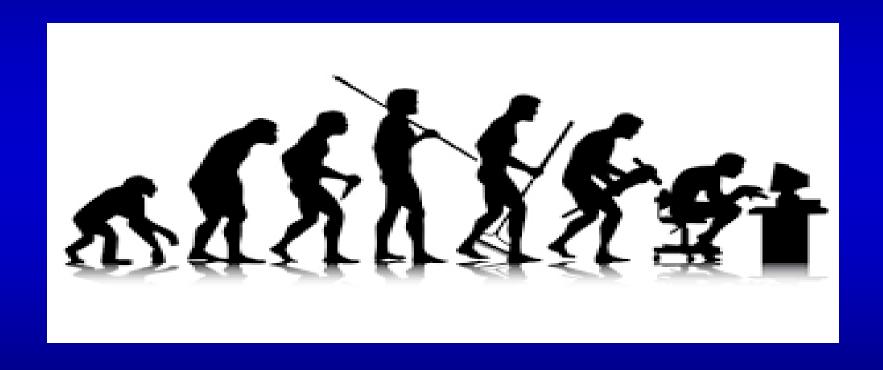
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APPLICABLE EPA GUIDANCE

2002 EPA RESPONSE

- Independent study on safety and use of [sewage] sludge for crop production.
- Use of Reclaimed Water and Sludge in Food Crop Production (1996)
- Deemed useful for FOOD PROCESSORS......

DSWM GUIDANCE DRAFT 2018



257 – Requires use of specific treatment technologies

503 - Flexibility with use of specific treatment or quality demonstration.

DSWM GUIDANCE PRAFT 2018

- Demonstrate by NPDES/POTW process flow diagram
 10% by volume sanitary component considered de minimis quantity for exclusion to 40 CFR 257 PSRP.
- Fecal demonstration borrow from 40 CFR 503
 - <2,000,000 MPN/g (dry weight basis)</p>
 - current sampling/testing guidance.

40 CFR 257 + 503

DSWM GUIDANCE PRAFT 2018

- Site restrictions applied borrow 40 CFR 503, Class B Biosolids
- Vector Attraction Reduction Requirements (40 CFR 257)
 - periodic application of cover material
 - injection/incorporation

40 CFR 257 + 503

PATHOGENS

These enteric organisms are usually associated with self-limited gastrointestinal illness but can develop into more serious diseases in sensitive populations such as immune-compromised individuals, infants, young children, and especially the elderly.

ARE IN FOOD PROCESSING SLUDGE!!!

WORKER EXPOSURE

Class B + Site Restrictions = PUBLIC Protection

Assumes natural processes to further reduce pathogens in the sludge prior to public access.

Spotlight: Salmonella Outbreak 2018 >



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World's first human case of H7N4 avian flu reported in China

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(CNN) — The first human case of the H7N4 strain of avian influenza has been reported in China, Hong Kong's Centre for Health Protection announced Wednesday.

A 68-year-old woman living in Jiangsu Province in eastern China, near Shanghai, had contact with live poultry before she began developing pneumonia-like symptoms December 25. She was admitted to a hospital January 1 and was discharged after successful

treatment January 22.

It was not until February that the virus was identified as being of avian origin, according to a report from the Chinese Center for Disease Control and Prevention.

Pennsylvania officials urge consumers to discard raw milk

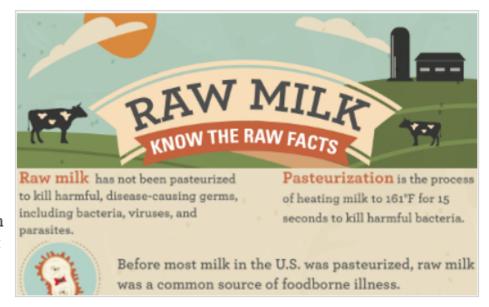
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Consumers who have unpasteurized, raw milk from Pool Forge Dairy should immediately throw it out and monitor themselves and their children for symptoms of Listeria infection for the next 70 days.

Pennsylvania's Department of Agriculture posted the warning Monday because routine tests by the department showed the milk to be contaminated with Listeria monocytogenes.

"Consumers who purchased raw, whole milk from Pool Forge Dairy between April 25 and May 7 should immediately discard it. The milk was sold in a plastic quart, half-gallon, and gallon containers with the Pool Forge label," according to the notice from the agriculture department.

The dairy, which is Lancaster County, sold the implicated unpasteurized milk at the farm at 201 Bridgeville Road; Shady Maple Market at 1324 Main Street; and Hoover's Farm Market at 1719 Main Street. All three locations are in East Earl Township in northeastern Lancaster County.



It can take up to 70 days after exposure for symptoms of Listeria infection to develop. Called listeriosis, the infection is particularly dangerous for young children, the elderly, pregnant women and anyone else with an underdeveloped or compromised immune system.

In high-risk groups, particularly young children and people older than 65, the infection can quickly lead to life-threatening complications and death.

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In early March, Enterprise Foods issued a recall of some processed meat products in South Africa, where a yearlong, deadly listeria outbreak was finally traced to a type of bologna. Siphiwe Sibeko/Reuters

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